

A Vermonter's Guide to Recycling



PAPER

clean & dry



copy paper, mail
& magazines

cardboard &
boxboard

CONTAINERS

empty & rinsed clean



metal

glass bottles
& jars

plastic bottles,
tubs & packaging

MINIMUM SIZE
2 inches

MAXIMUM SIZE
2 feet



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Leave 'em out.

These items don't belong in the recycling bin.



NO PLASTIC BAGS

They wrap around sorting equipment & cause shutdowns.
Instead: Bring clean, dry, and stretchy bags to a grocery or hardware store for special recycling. Otherwise put in trash.



NO BATTERIES

They are the leading cause of fires at sorting facilities.
Instead: Bring to a drop off location for special recycling.



NO STUCK-ON FOOD/DRINK

It's gross—and it reduces the value of other recyclables.
Instead: Rinse clean first.



NO SCRAP METAL ITEMS

They can damage equipment.
Instead: Bring to a drop off location for special recycling.



NO CLOTHING

It gets wrapped around equipment and causes shutdowns.
Instead: Donate for reuse, or bring to a drop off location for special recycling.



NO ELECTRONICS

They break, damage equipment, and endanger workers.
Instead: Bring to a drop off location for special recycling.



NO HAZARDOUS CONTAINERS

They pose a risk to workers, even if empty (there's always residue).
Instead: Take to hazardous waste event or facility, or trash if empty.

This is only a partial list. For more details, visit VTrecycles.com.